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DEMANDS TRANSFORMER REPAIR PLANT FOR LENINGRAD;
LATVIA, ARMENIA REPORT SUCCESSES IN HEAVY INDUSTRY

LENENERGO FACILITIES INADEQUATE -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 275, 23 Nov 49

Most small and medium plants in Leningrad do not have either the staff or the equipment to repair and inspect their own transformer facilities. Whereas at large plants such as the Kirov, Elektrosila, imeni Stalin and others it is both possible and expedient to set up their own transformer maintenance outfits because of the large number of transformers, setting up such a service at most small plants which have only three or four transformers is simply unprofitable.

For this reason small and medium plants are unable to obtain immediate repair or inspection of their transformer facilities, since there is no specialized transformer repair plant in Leningrad to accommodate all these plants. The Lenenergo Trust's Transformer and Electrical Repair Plant cannot be counted; it is having enough trouble taking care of its own system and refuses to service industrial enterprises. As a result, a large number of Leningrad plants and factories have not had their transformers inspected, much less repaired, since 1940.

It seems to us that Lenenergo should either build a new transformer and electrical repair plant, or else enlarge the present facilities of its plant so that it could service all enterprises not having their own transformer-maintenance units. We cannot agree with the people in Lenenergo who hold the opinion that repair and inspection of transformers is a matter for the ministries concerned. It would be both poor management and poor economy to have each ministry setting up transformer servicing units for its little circle of subordinate enterprises in Leningrad.

Leningrad should have a large centralized transformer base capable of handling the requirements of all industrial enterprises in the city. -- B. Matusev, Chief Electrical Engineer, Lenstankolit Plant, Leningrad

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SUPPLY EQUIPMENT TO PLANTAIN STATIONS -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 255, 28 Oct 49

Many Leningrad plants supply the equipment for the village electric power stations now under construction. Among them, the Elektroapparat Plant recently produced and consigned to the Glavsel'elektro (Main Administration for Rural Electric Stations) its periodical batch of oil switches, disconnecters, and power transformers. This plant has already equipped with such items newly built stations in Oyatskiy, Pashkiy, Os'minskiy, and Yefimovskiy rayons.

REVIEW LATVIAN INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS -- Sovetskaya Latvija, No 262, 5 Nov 49

[The eve of the October Revolution celebration was the occasion for a four-column review of Latvian economic conditions in Sovetskaya Latvija. Credit and criticism in the manufacturing and chemical fields was distributed as follows.]

Credit goes to the following plants for completing the Five-Year Plan: "VEF," "REZ," "Varonis," "Krasnyy kvadrat," "Ventspils koks," "Liyepayas koks," and many others.

The following enterprises, destroyed during the war, have been restored and expanded: the Riga Superphosphate Plant, the Daugavpilskiy Locomotive Repair Plant, the Riga Road Car-Building Plant, the "Sarkana zvaigzne" Bicycle Plant, the Riga Electric Machine-Building Plant, and many others.

The following enterprises and administrative organizations were scored for lagging: the Slokskiy Cellulose and Paper Combine, the Riga Cartographical Factory, the Electrical Parts Plant of the Ministry of Construction of Heavy Industry Enterprises, and steel, rolled metal, and superphosphate enterprises of the Ministry of Local Industry Latvian SSR.

Lagging in the application of progressive technology were the Riga Turbine Machinery Plant and the "Stars" Plant.

[It should be noted that the Riga Turbine Machinery Plant, criticized on 7 October in the same paper for failing to use anode-mechanical equipment and high-frequency units which it owned is now reproached only for failing to use high-frequency units.]

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The "VEF" Plant, Riga, is currently producing telephones, dial and manual telephone centrals, radio receivers, and vacuum tubes. Among the receivers produced are the new M-697 and the 13-tube VEF-M 137. The "VEF" Plant is administered by the Ministry of Communication Equipment Industry.

LISTS CHIEF PRODUCTS OF ARMENIA -- Bakinskiy Rabochiy, No 218, 5 Nov 49

The most important products of Armenian SSR are transformers, metal-cutting machine tools, tire cases, cameras, superphosphates, carbide and calcium.

ARMENIA PRODUCING FLUORESCENT BULBS -- Kommunist, No 242, 13 Oct 49

The Department of Local Industry, Executive Committee of the Yerevan City Soviet, has opened the first Armenian laboratory for the production of fluorescent bulbs. These bulbs consume ten times less current than regular bulbs and last five times as long.

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SECRET RUBBER SUPPLY SYSTEM -- Kommunist, No 255, 28 Oct 49

The Yerevan Electrical Machine-Building Plant of the Ministry of Electrical Industry employs oil-resisting rubber in the manufacture of transformers, which it used to obtain from the Yerevan Tire Plant through the Armenian office of the Glavkhim (Main Administration of Chemical Products). But the tire plant belongs to the Ministry of Chemical Industry and, therefore has shown no interest in supplying the needs of the electrical machine builders. Consequently, the latter have been receiving the rubber irregularly and experienced many stoppages on this account. They were finally obliged to place their orders with the Sverdlovsk Rubber Technical Products Plant. As a result, an incongruous situation has arisen wherein raw material travels from Yerevan to the Urals and, as rubber, travels back to Yerevan. The mere transport has cost the state, during this year, 70,000 rubles.

Kommunist, No 255, 28 Oct 49

The Yerevan Cable Plant must haul its braiding material for wire insulation from Orekhovo-Zuyevo, while these materials could be successfully produced by the Leninakan Textile Combine.

INSTALLS CONVEYER SYSTEM -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 256, 28 Oct 49

V. Alekseyev, director of the Moscow Low Voltage Apparatus Plant, writes that in the past few months his plant has installed a conveyer system for assembling magneto starters for machine tools, which was considerably increased production. In the near future, the plant intends to transfer to the conveyer method the assembling of the following: two types of magneto starters, thermic relays, and button panels. All of these will promote better use of production space.

Not long ago, the plant also put out a registering relay for gear-cutting machine tools. The latter permits automatic control of cutting process and elimination of mistakes.

PRODUCES AUTOMATIC SWITCH -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 256, 29 Oct 49

The Moscow Electrical Engineering Equipment Plant has just put out the first series of an original device which automatically turns on or off the power for various machines in a plant.

Krasnaya Zvezda, No 256, 29 Oct 49

The Moscow Electrical-Machine-Building Plant has completed the Five-year Plan ahead of time with respect to production volume.

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